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SUBJECT: AGENTS FEES ON NATIONAL GUARD MODERNIZATION PROGRAM

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1. EMBASSY CONCURS WITH BG LAWRENCE (REF C) THAT PRINCE ABDULLAH SHOULD NOT RPT NOT BE ASKED TO APPROVE A SECOND TIME THE AGENTS FEE CONTAINED IN THE CADILLAC-GAGE SERVICE CONTRACT AFTER RESPONDING TO BG LAWRENCE'S LETTER OF 21 JULY QUOTED IN REF A. THE APPROACH IN THAT LETTER -- THAT WAS COORDINATED WITH EMBASSY -- IS EXACTLY CORRECT AND WHAT SIUTATION HERE REQUIRES. IN OUR VIEW, ALSO, SINCE THAT LETTER SPECIFICALLY SPELLS OUT AND IDENTIFIES THE AMOUNT OF THE AGENTS FEE IN THE CONTRACT, A REPLY FROM ABDULLAH CONCURRING WITH THE PROVISIONS SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE FEES TO SATISFY ANY REASONABLE LEGAL REQUIREMENTS. WE DO NOT THINK IT NECESSARY FOR ABDULLAH TO HAVE TO REPHRASE THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT TO SHOW HIS APPROVAL.

2. TO PRESS ABDULLAH SPECIFICALLY ON THIS POINT WOULD BE OFFENSIVE TO HIM. WE WOULD BE SIGNALLING TO HIM (AND HIS AIDES) SOMETHING
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WHICH -- BY IMPLICATION -- TO US SMACKS OF WRONGDOING. FOR REASONS

OF PERSONAL STATUS ALONE, WE BELIEVE SUCH AN APPROACH WOULD ELICIT
A FIRM TURN-DOWN. THE CONSEQUENCES WOULD SET BACK AND BE DAMAGING
TO THE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM.

3. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THEREFORE PROCEEDING AS RECOMMENDED BY
GENERAL LAWRENCE IN REF C.
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